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SUBJECT: CONVENTIONAL ARMS SALES TO PAKISTAN:
NOTIFICATION TO CONGRESS

1. IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE SECRETARY'S EARLIER INSTRUCTION, DEPARTMENT IS CLEARING FOR DOD SUBMISSION TO CONGRESS FOLLOWING LOA REQUESTS FROM PAKISTAN:

-- 100 MARK 46 TORPEDOES - DOLS 16.1 MILLION
-- 500 SIDEWINDER MISSILES - DOLS 14.2 MILLION
-- 25 TANK RECOVERY VEHICLES - DOLS 20.3 MILLION
-- 140 ARMORED PERSONNEL CARRIERS - DOLS 13.2 MILLION
-- AMMUNITION - DOLS 20.3 MILLION
TOTAL - DOLS 84.1 MILLION

2. SINCE CONGRESS PLANS TO ADJOURN OCTOBER 2, NOTIFICATION
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SHOULD REACH HILL NOT LATER THAN AUGUST 12. THIS WOULD MEET

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REQUIREMENT THAT SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS AND HOUSE INTER-
NATIONAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE STAFFS BE GIVEN 20 DAYS' IN-
FORMAL ADVANCE NOTIFICATION OF PROPOSED FMS ARMS SALES OVER
7 MILLION.IMMEDIATELY THEREAFTER, WE WILL SUBMIT FOR EACH
CASE A FORMAL NOTIFICATION WHICH MUST LAY BEFORE CONGRESS
30 DAYS TO FULFILL STATUTORY REQUIREMENT.

3. ALTHOUGH THIS SUBMISSION MAY EVOKE SOME OPPOSITION IN
CONGRESS, WE PLAN TO GO AHEAD. WE THOUGHT IT PRUDENT,
HOWEVER, TO CHECK WITH YOU BEFORE WE ADVISE DOD TO PROCEED
WITH THE ADVANCE NOTIFICATION TO THE CONGRESS.

4. FYI: WE WERE INFORMED TODAY BY THE EMBASSY IN ISLAMABAD
THAT THE PAKISTAN AIR FORCE HAS ASKED THAT THE LOA FOR
SIX C-130'S BE WITHDRAWN FOR THE TIME BEING BECAUSE THE
PAF HAS RECEIVED A SMALLER SHARE OF THE BUDGETARY PIE
THAN IT THOUGHT IT WOULD. END FYI. ROBINSON

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